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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 16-0685 - Sale of Property— The Former Beds of
Henneman Avenue, 1 10-Foot Alley, and a 20-Foot Alley

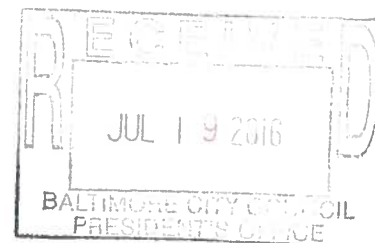
Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 16-0685 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell all of its interest in certain parcels of land known as the former beds of Henneman Avenue, of a 10-foot alley, and of a 20-foot alley, bounded by East Biddle Street, North Wolfe Street, East Chase Street, and Rutland Avenue, declaring it no longer needed for public use. The bill also provides for a special effective date.

Article V, Section 5 (b) of the Baltimore City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to arrange for the disposition of any building or parcel of land no longer needed by the City for public use, if that sale is approved by the Board of Estimates. Assuming the agency reports reveal that the property is no longer needed for public use, this is the appropriate ordinance to authorize disposition of the subject property. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

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